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C O N F I D E N T I A L SEOUL 1226

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TAGS: OVIP PFOR KS

SUBJ: OPPOSITION LEADER'S U.S. VISIT

REF: A. SEOUL 664 (DTG 250850Z JAN 77), (B. STATE 18553 (NOTAL)

1. WE HAVE RECEIVED LETTER FROM NDP CHAIRMAN LEE CHUL-SEUNG PROVIDING US WITH HIS ITINERARY TO THE UNITED STATES AND ASKING OUR ASSISTANCE WITH A VARIETY OF APPOINTMENTS. DESPITE FACT WE HAD PREVIOUSLY ADVISED HIM ON BASIS REF B THAT APPOINTMENTS ABOVE UNDERSECRETARY LEVEL WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE, HE HAS ASKED TO SEE THE FOLLOWING: VICE PRESIDENT MONDALE, SPEAKER O'NEIL, SECRETARY VANCE, SENATOR SPARKMAN, SENATOR HUMPHREY, REPRESENTATIVE ZABLOCKI, AND UNDERSECRETARY HABIB. HE ALSO WISHES TO CALL ON OTHER KEY OFFICIALS IN DEPARTMENT AND AT DEFENSE AND ASKS IF WE CAN HELP WITH APPOINTMENT AT BROOKINGS INSTITUTE. LETTER INDICATES LEE WILL BE IN HONOLULU MARCH 2 THROUGH 4 AND WILL STOP OFF IN LOS ANGELES AND NEW YORK, THEN WILL BE IN WASHINGTON MARCH 10 AND 11 AND MARCH 14 THROUGH 16. LEE'S PARTY WILL INCLUDE THREE NDP ASSEMBLYMEN, NDP FLOOR LEADER YOO CHI-SONG, PLUS OHM YOUNG-DAL, AND SHIN SANG-WOO, TOGETHER WITH THREE OR FOUR REPORTERS.

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2. ASSEMBLYMAN OHM CAME IN TO SEE US SAME DAY TO URGE THAT WE HELP AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE WITH TRIP. POLCOUNS AGAIN MADE CLEAR THAT WE WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO ARRANGE APPOINTMENTS ABOVE UNDERSECRETARY LEVEL AND THAT LEE SHOULD USE HIS OWN EMBASSY OR OTHER CHANNELS TO MAKE APPOINTMENTS OUTSIDE THE ADMINISTRATION. OHM ADVISED TO CONTACT EA COUNTRY DIRECTOR HURWITZ FOR HELP WITH ADMINISTRATION APPOINTMENTS. OHM

EXPRESSED APPRECIATION, BUT OBVIOUSLY WAS A BIT CHESTFALLEN
AND COMMENTED HE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL FOR
LEE CHOL-SEUNG TO HAVE OPPORTUNITY AS OPPOSITION LEADER TO
EXPRESS HIS VIEWS ABOUT CURRENT SITUATION IN KOREA AND
TO TAKE SOUNDINGS AT HIGH LEVELS IN USG. POLCOUNS INDICATED
UNDERSTANDING, BUT REPEATED ABOVE GUIDANCE.

3. FOR TOKYO: MR. LEE INDICATES HE WILL BE IN TOKYO
FEBRUARY 23 - MARCH 3 WHEN HE WOULD LIKE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET
WITH DCM SHOESMITH.

4. CINCPAC: LEE AND PARTY WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE
CINCPAC BRIEFING DURING HONOLULU STOPOVER MARCH 2 THROUGH 4.
PLEASE ADVISE IF AND WHEN THIS MIGHT BE POSSIBLE AND WHOM
LEE PARTY SHOULD CONTACT.
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